

Minutes

Talbot County Board of Elections
215 Bay Street
Easton, MD 21601
September 21, 2022

Attendance

Board Members Present

Joseph Secrist	(R)
Wadella Thomas	(R)
Susan MacKinnon	(D)

Staff

Crystal McGinn, Election Director
Tammy Stafford
Donna Hacker

Board Attorney

Lyndsey Ryan

Public

None

The monthly meeting of the Talbot County Board of Elections was held September 21, 2022 in Conference Room # One at the Board office indicated above. Joseph Secrist called the meeting to order at 9:30 AM and noted that a quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Secrist asked if the Board had any corrections or additions to the minutes of the meeting of August 17, 2022, copies of which had been forwarded to the Board Members in advance of the meeting. Ms. Thomas moved approval of the minutes as presented. Ms. MacKinnon seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Addition/Changes to the Agenda

Ms. Thomas then moved approval of the agenda as is. Ms. MacKinnon seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

Public Comments

There were no public comments.

Election Director's Report

Ms. McGinn provided the Board with a written report on activities since the last Board Meeting. A copy of her report is attached to these minutes.

Board Attorney's Report

Ms. Ryan spoke on the legislature regarding closed meetings, these new regulations do not affect the board of elections office at this time. Ms. Ryan asked for clarity regarding this years MAEO meeting and if she needed to attend virtually. Ms. MacKinnon suggest Ms. Ryan attends any topics that are relevant to attorneys, if there are not any then she doesn't need to attend.

Old Business

- A. Facility- Ms. McGinn had no new information to report regarding facilities for the Board of Elections.
- B. Budget FY2022- Mr. Secrist asks if everything is in FY22 as it should be, Ms. McGinn advises yes.
- C. Budget FY2023- Ms. McGinn provided reports on expenditures recorded through August. Ms. Mackinnon inquires if all judges have been paid from the primary, Ms. McGinn advises they have. Ms. Stafford states a few checks had been returned, those judges had been contacted and have picked up their payment, per Ms. Stafford checks went out on August 26, 2022.
- D. Review Invoices- Ms. McGinn previously provided Board Members with copies of invoices received since the last meeting. There were no questions from Board Members.
- E. County Bulletins- Ms. McGinn previously provided copies of County Bulletins. There were no questions from Board Members.

New Business

- A. Supply Verification Designation- Ms. McGinn states verification will be held at the ware house on October 11, 2022 at 11:00 am, she asks if 2 board members would volunteer to attend. Mr. Secrist agrees that he can attend and Ms. Thomas says she can probably attend but will double check.
- B. Annual MEAO Conference & Ballots- Ballots were mailed to board members prior to the meeting, Fred will be hand delivering voted ballots to the conference

tomorrow. The conference is virtual, that information will be forwarded to the board once the staff receives it.

Confirmation of next meeting

The next regular meeting of the Board of Elections will be Wednesday, October 19, 2022 at 9:30 AM in conference room 1.

Board of Canvassers convene

At this point, the Election Board met as the Board of Canvassers. Action at this meeting were recorded separately.

Closed session

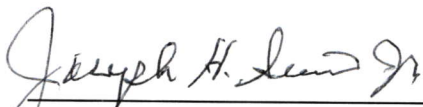
Ms. Thomas moved that the Board go into closed session for the purpose of legal advice. Ms. MacKinnon seconded the motion. It passed unanimously. Whereupon the Board went into closed session at 10:09AM.

At 10:16M the Board returned to open session. President Secrist reported that the Board received legal guidance regarding the issue raised by the Director, Crystal McGinn.

Adjournment

Ms. Thomas moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Mackinnon seconded the motion. It passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 10:18 AM.

Attested,



Joseph H. Secrist, Jr., President

Respectfully submitted,



Crystal McGinn, Director